

Advocate; and Kevin M. Brown, Acting Commissioner; Gregory D. Kutz, Managing Director, Forensic Audits and Special Investigations, GAO; and public witnesses.

## BRIEFING—HOT SPOTS

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Hot Spots. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

### U.S. PETROLEUM INDUSTRY

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the United States petroleum industry, focusing on corporate mergers and other factors that influence gasoline prices, after receiving testimony from Thomas McCool, Director, Applied Research and Methods, Government Accountability Office; Michael A. Salinger, Director, Bureau of Economics, Federal Trade Commission; Diana L. Moss, American Antitrust Institute, Samantha Slater, Renewable Fuels Association, and Red Cavaney, American Petroleum Institute, all of Washington, D.C.; Dennis C. DeCota, California Service Station and Automotive Repair Association (CSSARA), Novato, California; and James L. Smith, Southern Methodist University, Department of Finance, Dallas, Texas.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* closed business meeting to mark up the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, 10 a.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Charles Darwin Snelling, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold an oversight hearing to examine opportunities and challenges associated with coal gasification, including coal-to-liquids and industrial gasification, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings to examine potential impacts of global warming on recreation and the recreation industry, 10:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Energy, Natural Resources, and Infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine energy efficiency, focusing on tax incentives for reducing consumption, 2 p.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* business meeting to consider S.392, to ensure payment of United States assessments for United Nations peacekeeping operations for the

2005 through 2008 time period, S. Res. 211, expressing the profound concerns of the Senate regarding the transgression against freedom of thought and expression that is being carried out in Venezuela, S. Con. Res. 25, condemning the recent violent actions of the Government of Zimbabwe against peaceful opposition party activists and members of civil society, S. Res. 110, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the 30th anniversary of ASEAN-United States dialogue and relationship, and the nominations of Phillip Carter, III, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea, R. Niels Marquardt, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Madagascar, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Union of Comoros, Janet E. Garvey, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cameroon, Dell L. Dailey, of South Dakota, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large, Mark P. Lagon, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking, with the rank of Ambassador at Large, James K. Glassman, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, Cameron R. Hume, of New York, to be Ambassador of Indonesia, James R. Keith, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Malaysia, Miriam K. Hughes, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia, Rovic Rolf Huso, of Hawaii, to be Ambassador to the Lao People's Democratic Republic, and Hans G. Klemm, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, and promotion lists in the Foreign Service, 11:30 a.m., S-116, Capitol.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine federal real property, focusing on the property management problems highlighted in a recent Government Accountability Office report, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery, to hold hearings to examine issues relative to residents of Louisiana affected by Hurricane Katrina or Rita, focusing on the goals, costs, management and impediments facing Louisiana's Road Home Program, 3 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 185, to restore habeas corpus for those detained by the United States, S. 1327, to create and extend certain temporary district court judgeships, H. Con. Res. 76, honoring the 50th anniversary of the International Geophysical Year and its past contributions to space research, and looking forward to future accomplishments, and the nominations of Leslie Southwick, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Janet T. Neff, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, Paul Lewis Maloney, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, and Liam O'Grady, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, and possible authorization of subpoenas in the connection with investigation into the replacement of U.S. attorneys, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold hearings to examine terrorist ideology, 3:30 p.m., SD-106.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, to consider H.R. 2419, Farm Bill Extension Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on training of development of the Iraqi police service, 9 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on Workplace Safety: Why do Millions of Workers Remain Without OSHA Coverage? 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "Legislative Hearing on Discussion Drafts concerning Energy Efficiency, Smart Electricity Grid, Energy Policy Act of 2005 Title XVII Loan Guarantees, and Standby Loans for Coal-to-Liquids Projects," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* to continue mark up of H.R. 1851, Section 8 Voucher Reform Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on International Food Aid Programs: Options to Enhance Effectiveness; followed by a briefing on this subject, 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on expanding the Visa Waiver Program, Enhancing Transatlantic Relations, 1 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing on the Reauthorization of OPIC, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* Subcommittee on Management, Investigations, and Oversight, hearing entitled "Examining the Impact of Equipment Shortages on the National Guard's Readiness for Homeland Security Missions," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law, hearing on Comprehensive Immigration

Reform: Labor Movement Perspectives, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans and the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, joint oversight hearing on No Child Left Inside: Reconnecting Kids with the Outdoors, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 31, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Wastewater and Recycled Water Facilities Act of 2007; and H.R. 1526, Bay Area Regional Water Recycling Program Authorization Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* hearing on Invisible Casualties: The Incidence and Treatment of Mental Health Problems by the U.S. Military, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science and Technology,* Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing on the NASA Administrator's Speech to Office of Inspector General Staff, the Subsequent Destruction of Video Records and Associated Matters, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business,* hearing entitled "Expanding Small Business Health Insurance Coverage Using the Private Reinsurance Market," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing on Public-Private Partnerships: State and User Perspectives, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, hearing on Tax Incentives for Affordable Housing, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence,* Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management, executive, briefing on DNI, 1 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* to hold hearings to examine Russia, focusing on the reemergence of Russia as a major political and economic power, 10 a.m., B318RHOB.